

Public Law 531

CHAPTER 576

AN ACT

To authorize cooperative research in education.

July 26, 1954
[H. R. 9040]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) in order to enable the Office of Education more effectively to accomplish the purposes and to perform the duties for which it was originally established, the Commissioner of Education is authorized to enter into contracts or jointly financed cooperative arrangements with universities and colleges and State educational agencies for the conduct of research, surveys, and demonstrations in the field of education.

Educational re-
search.Cooperative ar-
rangements, etc.

(b) No contract or jointly financed cooperative arrangement shall be entered into under this section until the Commissioner of Education has obtained the advice and recommendations of educational research specialists who are competent to evaluate the proposals as to the soundness of their design, the possibilities of securing productive results, the adequacy of resources to conduct the proposed research, surveys, or demonstrations, and their relationship to other similar educational research already completed or in process.

Advice of spe-
cialists.

(c) The Commissioner of Education shall transmit to the Congress annually a report concerning the research, surveys, and demonstrations initiated under this Act, the recommendations made by research specialists pursuant to subsection (b), and any action taken with respect to such recommendations.

Report to Con-
gress.

SEC. 2. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated annually to the Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, such sums as the Congress determines to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Appropriation.

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To establish a National Advisory Committee on Education.

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[H. R. 7434]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to secure for the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (hereinafter referred to in this Act as the "Secretary") the advice of a group of representative citizens on the initiation and conduct of studies of problems of national concern in the field of education and on appropriate action as a result thereof, there is hereby established in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare a National Advisory Committee on Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee").

National Advi-
sory Committee on
Education.

SEC. 2. The Committee shall be composed of nine members appointed without regard to civil-service laws by the Secretary from among individuals who are not otherwise in office under or in the employ of the Federal Government, a majority of whom shall be other than professional educators, one of whom shall be designated by the Secretary as Chairman. Each member shall hold office for a term

Members.